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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy for Field Activities, OSA

SUBJECT: Possible Additional E-K Tech Rep Personnel
at [REDACTED]

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1. I visited E-K on 18 May in company with [REDACTED] for talks with Ed Green on the U-2R. As a preliminary to those discussions, he asked for approval to put a second tech rep at [REDACTED] for the June, July, August period on the assumption that we might be trying to fly a good many TACKLE missions against South China in that period. I believe Ed was thinking about the level of activity of last summer when we flew more missions than we had planned to do.

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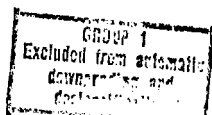
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2. At the moment, as you know, there is one E-K rep at [REDACTED] who spends the vast majority of his time with [REDACTED]. I am told that the [REDACTED] have only one good mechanic in the laboratory and that this mechanic and the Eastman rep are the only two people who can keep the processing equipment going in the face of occasional breakdowns. If we are planning to try and sustain a high level of activity and I suspect that we are judging by recent studies, it might be useful to approve this request, again assuming that [REDACTED] rather than [REDACTED] will get most of the business. I am certain that we will get no objections from [REDACTED] in NRO to this. Please let me have your recommendation.

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JAMES A. CUNNINGHAM, JR.
Deputy Director of Special Activities

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